## CITY OF BLOOMINGTON Office of the City Council

Dear mayor Winstead writing to ask you the safety quiet, beauty and value neighborhoods of Overlook Drive connect the two streets by choosing to keep sul-de-sacs en both believe Bloomington is a good place to Twin Cities, yet with hoods that remain country and park-like Bloominator offers growth and development and puvironment of a smaller town Simply choosing to let the col-de-racs at each end will do this. remain Preventing the connection will preserve flora and fauna Keep vehicle speeds and traffic will stay high, and something much less

tangible, yet very important to the life of our city and government, will grow. By this I mean the good will and trust of the residents along Overlook and nearby roads, who will be affected the most by your decisions. Please pay close attention to the fact that so many citizens along Overlook Drive and adjoining roads have Spent so much time, money, and effort to tell you and the city council what I am saying here. I myself have been part of the petition drive, emails, and meetings to raise anareness of the proposed development and road connection I can tell you my neighbors care about each other, and the way of life there griet streets afford. I live on the corner of France tuenue south and Overlook, France Avenue can be busy. Drivers often take the curve near my corner quickly, sometimes with squealing tives. But all I need to do for a relaxing, safé walk is to stroll behind my house, toward the golf course. Neighbors wave as I walk by Sometimes Lisa or hancy or mega- are out walking their dogs we can even stand near the middle of the street if we want as we visit, because the traffic Is so light and slow-moving.

Jayce and Bab's grandchildren play happily on the
front lawn. All the front yards are bigger,
since we don't have curbs. The edge of the road
doesn't have dangerous, fast traffic next to it.
TJ and megan's children are out in wagon and
on trikes in the driveways at times even in the
street, because it's so safe and quiet. I can't tell
you what all this adds to the life of our
neighborhood, because it cannot be quantified
But it is real, and it is important!
I intend to be there for as many of the
in a t life Hall as possible. Since
upcoming meetings at City Hall as possible, since
this issue is so important to me.
Thank you for taking the time, not only to read
this letter, but also for considering it thoroughly
as you make decisions concerning overlook prive. The
many positive qualities these neighborhoods add to
Bloomington will remain, if they are undisturbed by
an unnecessary and intruive connection
Sincerely Yours,
Carole Hardy
11417 France Auc. S.

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TO: MAYOR GENE WINSTERD RECEIVED

IN : MATT MYERS

11133 FRANCE / AVE S.

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From:

Chuck Wanous <cmwanous@msn.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, August 12, 2014 6:05 PM

To:

Schoenecker, Anthony (Tony); Winstead, Gene; Abrams, Cynthia; Busse, Tim; Lowman,

Dwayne; Carlson, Andrew; Baloga, Jack; Oleson, Jon

Cc:

Osberg, Cyndi

Subject:

Re: Dwan Property Development - Cul-De-Sac Option

I think it will be important to differentiate between the planning staff's solution to not connecting the roads re. two cul-de-sacs with ours re. one cul-de-sac on the East side and status quo on the West.

CW

From: Schoenecker, Anthony (Tony)
Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2014 2:15 PM

 $\textbf{To:} \ \underline{gwinstead@BloomingtonMN.gov} \ ; \ \underline{cabrams@bloomingtonMN.gov} \ ; \ \underline{tbusse@bloomingtonMN.gov} \ ; \ \underline{dlowman@bloomingtonMN.gov} \ ; \ \underline{acarlson@bloomingtonmn.gov} \ ; \ \underline{fbaloga@bloomingtonMN.gov} \ ; \ \underline{dlowman@bloomingtonMN.gov} \ ; \ \underline{d$ 

joleson@BloomingtonMN.gov Cc: planning@BloomingtonMN.gov

Subject: Dwan Property Development - Cul-De-Sac Option

Mayor Gene Winstead and City Council Members,

Hundreds of residents in the neighborhoods around Overlook Drive have united in protest over the City's plan to connect east Overlook Drive to west Overlook Drive to accommodate a new development on the Dwan property. We welcome the development – but strongly oppose the connection.

Attached is a summary of our concerns, and a list of the Bloomington homeowners who support a cul-de-sac option in lieu of a through street. We have dropped off hardcopies of this attachment at City Hall, in an effort to get this documentation submitted for consideration by the Planning Commission on August 21<sup>st</sup> and the City Council on September 8<sup>th</sup>.

We appreciate your time and serious consideration in this matter,

Best regards,

Tony Schoenecker 3400 Overlook Drive

## STOP THE ROAD!!!!

Overlook road is already dangerous enough! Cars speed by and people walk and bike 24/7!!

Pet's have already been killed due to high-speed traffic.

**GIVE IT UP!!!!** 

If you want my vote and countless others, you will only get it by STOPPING THE ROAD ON OVERLOOK DRIVE!!!!!!!!

Dear city council members, we the people of Overlook Dr. Well I gives I mijust Speaking for musek in this letter. I would like to kindly and respect fully ask of you to consider our plead. I don't understand why this road connection has to be done the designers of the new road could make a perfectly good culde Sac and why mire

Youn our road when there IS another perfectly good option. Not only my reighborhood will be affected but all the Streets near is will. And the road is gornings right through my yard! How would you feel if you found out the city was to ring the first 10 FEET OF YOUR LARDY

not very cool right? now I know it all comes down to money and buisness but can't you be the least considerate about US? maybe now were feel about 17 Puining our VERY NICE STREET?

aren't we Supposed to have Freedom of speech? well heres me using my Freedom don't do this connection for the Sake of your citizens. If your on the concil you want people to like you and I won't if you do this, end people to like you and I won't if you do this, end Claire Carlson

From:

Hiller, Michael

Sent: To: Tuesday, August 12, 2014 8:04 AM Osberg, Cyndi; Fields, Dennis

Subject:

FW: Overlook Drive - Dwan Bluff Proposal

For Laser Fische if it not already in there.

From: Craig Nordstrom [mailto:craignordstrom@usfamily.net]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2014 9:27 PM

**To:** Markegard, Glen **Cc:** Hiller, Michael

Subject: FW: Overlook Drive - Dwan Bluff Proposal

I received this tonight and the contents are the same as a call he had with me on Sunday afternoon. It should be directed to the rest of the Planning Commission so the information is common to all. I can't speak to the accuracy of his information but if this is part of their talking points, it should be checked out.

Craig

From: David Teslow [mailto:davidteslow@comcast.net]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2014 7:30 PM

To: Andrew Carlson; Cynthia Bemis Abrams; Dwayne Lowman; Gene Winstead; Jack Baloga; Jon Oleson; Tim Busse

Subject: Overlook Drive - Dwan Bluff Proposal

I have lived at 3000 Overlook Drive for over 48 years and am truly disappointed at Bloomington's Planning Staff's attempt to connect the two sections of Overlook Drive. Dr. Paul Dwan [the donor of the land for the Dwan Golf Course] and his wife Eunice were totally opposed to this connection. The city's last attempt to make the connection was 10 years ago [summer of 2004]. Following the major concern of citizens, petitions, etc., the city relented and chose to make the reconstruction of Overlook Drive between Xerxes and the Dwan property a very narrow street [22' – 24'] to give us assurance that the connection would not be made.

Over 900 citizens have sign petitions opposing the connection and favoring the construction of a cul-de-sac. We have a very active Task Force, representing the citizens living in the area, trying to work with the city's planners and traffic engineers to come up with a compromise that would satisfy everyone. It's like banging you head against a brick wall. We have encountered nothing but resistance from staff.

A major problem we have currently is the resistance of Mr. Kirk Roberts, Traffic/Transportation Engineer, to share the recently completed Traffic Study. We urgently need this study to make an intelligent presentation to the Bloomington Planning Commission on Thursday, August 25. Ann Schmidt, Land Use Attorney for the City, confirmed the Traffic Study is public information and should be shared with our group. Yet the staff is unwilling to share the Study. They have indicated a willingness to share the study on August 22, a day after the Planning Commission meeting. This is absolutely worthless for us in our presentation to the Planning Commission.

We need your help today to obtain this study. If we can't receive a copy of the study soon, we then request the postponement of the Planning Commission's hearing on the Dwan Bluff Property to allow us time to analyze the study before we meet with the Planning Commission. This concern along with some comments the planning staff made to representatives of our Task Force have given us great concern about the intentions of the staff and how they deal with the tax paying citizens of Bloomington.

#### Dave Testow

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CITY OF BLOOMINGTON Office of the City Council

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SARA ROBERTS
11010 THOMPS AVES

## RECEIVED

August 4, 2014

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CITY OF BLOOMINGTON
Office of the City Council

Dear Mayor Winstead,

I have lived in Bloomington since 1964 and thought I knew every nook and cranny of neighborhoods until I attended the Estate Sale in the Dwan house across from the golf course of the same name. When I pulled in to park, I saw the beautiful hills and fields to the West that are like a hidden treasure because of the dead end street.

I have learned that you're considering putting a road through and I really want you to give this more thought. Once cars and trucks and everything else drives through it will become like anywhere else.

Let's keep every hidden treasure we can. Please use some imagination and planning to keep it undisturbed.

Thank you for your consideration.

Barb Kallstrom 3525 Canterbury Drive

## **Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance**

Homeowners United to Maintain the Quality of Life in Our Neighborhoods



A new development is being planned which includes turning Overlook Dr. into an alternate route to 35W.

# Help keep Overlook Drive from becoming another busy thoroughfare.

## Preserve the peace and tranquility of our streets.

Connecting the two sides of Overlook Dr. would turn our quiet streets into a busy thoroughfare – creating an alternate route for the many commuters of Southwest Bloomington to reach 35W without hitting a lot of traffic lights. This would increase traffic from Normandale Road to 106<sup>th</sup> St. and greatly increase the speed along the streets that are currently quiet cul-de-sacs.

## Preserve the calm flow of traffic. The current configuration is safer for everyone.

Because the traffic is almost all local and cars have to travel so slowly, residents feel safe backing out of their driveways. Also, many use our streets for exercise and recreation. They walk, trike and bike appreciating the park-like beauty and safety of our roads. Thanks to low speeds and traffic volume, accidents are rare – even deer in the road pose no danger to drivers. Turning Overlook Dr. into a shortcut to 35W would change all that.

#### Preserve the property value of our homes.

The fact that these are calm streets, serving mostly local traffic, was a major part in every family's decision to live along Overlook Drive. We all paid premiums based on that single feature. A thoroughfare would instantly eliminate it - reducing our property values and quality of life.

## Preserve the natural beauty of our neighborhoods.

Tree-lined streets without gutters and sidewalks are part of the natural charm of these neighborhoods. And adding them would mean losing many mature trees.

Preserve the wildlife of the area. As well as deer in our yards, we frequently see wild turkeys, red foxes, wood chucks, wood ducks, pileated woodpeckers, raccoons, bluebirds and more. A thoroughfare would reduce their natural habitats and many of these animals would become road kill.

IF YOU AGREE TO ANY OR ALL OF THE ABOVE,
PLEASE SIGN THE ATTACHED PETITION OR GO ONLINE
TO: <a href="http://www.change.org/petitions/overlook-drive">http://www.change.org/petitions/overlook-drive</a> AND SIGN OUR E-PETITION.
YOU HAVE A STAKE IN THIS. LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD.

Please join your neighbors at the following <u>public hearings</u> to make our voices heard and faces seen:

Location for both meetings is **Counsel Chambers in City Hall.** 

August 21st @ 6 p.m. with the Planning Commission

<u>September 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 7p.m.</u> with City Counsel and Mayor – this is the final vote!!!

We appreciate your taking your time to mail and/or e-mail your local counsel members your opinion of the possible connection of Overlook Drive.

#### Fields, Dennis

From:

STEPHEN KARA JOHNSON <stevekara2@msn.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, August 06, 2014 10:13 PM

To:

Fields, Dennis; Winstead, Gene; Abrams, Cynthia; Busse, Tim; Lowman, Dwayne; Carlson,

Andrew; Baloga, Jack; Oleson, Jon; City-Council

Subject:

In Support of Dwan Bluff/Overlook Project!

Hi! I just wanted to write a quick note of support for the Dwan Bluff Project. I live on 111th St. between France and Normandale, and have seen the signs in protest. I also have seen some chatter and complaining on FaceBook. In my opinion, this is nothing more than fear-mongering. People are afraid that their "way of life" will be destroyed, and are kind of bullying others into thinking the same way. I honestly think that the new street will NOT become a cut-through to avoid Old Shakopee and/or 494. It's simply too far south. If that were the case, 110th would be as bad as Old Shak, and that's simply not true! Please stay STRONG and let this development happen! New homes are great for the community, and will only enhance the value of the surrounding properties.

Sincerely,

Kara Johnson



AUG 06 2014

CITY OF BLOOMINGTON Office of the City Council

8-3-14

Mayor Gene Winstead 1800 West Old Shakopee Road Bloomington, MN 55431 Dear Mayor Winstead

I wish to strongly oppose the City of Bloomington's plan to connect the east and west sections of Overlook Drive. This unique and serene area, adjacent to the MN River Valley, is rich with wildlife and used extensively by pedestrians, bicycle riders, dog-walkers and children and should be preserved. The planned connection would turn this attractive street into a thoroughfare from far Southwest Bloomington to the 35W Freeway and disrupt an otherwise quiet neighborhood. Please – say NO.

Thank you for your attention.

Jan Wolff

3321 Overlook Drive

Bloomington, MN 55431

Overlook Drive, expansion of My husband and I own A home in w Blint, As well ASA Rental Property. We purchased both properties for very specific quality of life reasons. Highest on our priority list conserved and protected for for both properties is the safe the you it brings to the people take Advantage of this on A long, and Also fisting to the daily basis, walking him. daily basis, walking, biking, the walking our dogs. So does the reighborhood, and people from adjourning neighborhoods. Last Saturday, in the 5 hours I spent

in our yard, 42 people

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The Dwayne Lowman young Children, people walking I am writing to express my who find this to be a safe ARM exponsion of Overland This area would not be expressed. same safe green space that current hormeowners have enjoyed for so long if the expansion happenst

> This area is a special gererations.

We ask that upu help us in expressing these concerns to the city, and finding an alternative to the road expansion.

Sincerely 3010 Overbok Kim Maiello

From:

Clawson, Barbara

Sent:

Monday, August 04, 2014 5:51 PM

To:

Fields, Dennis, Bernhardson, Mark; Lee, Larry; Keel, Karl

Cc:

Osberg, Cyndi

Subject:

FW: overlook plan and road closure

Please see the comments below. The first one is regarding Dwan Bluff and the second one is regarding the traffic that has resulted from the construction projects on 94<sup>th</sup>, 98<sup>th</sup> & 106<sup>th</sup>.

Thanks!

Barb Clawson

Mayor's Assistant/Council Secretary
1800 W. Old Shakopee Road
Bloomington, MN 55431
952-563-8786
bclawson@BloomingtonMN.gov

From: Charles Julson [mailto:Charles.Julson@mpls.k12.mn.us]

Sent: Monday, August 04, 2014 5:38 PM

To: Council Secretary

Subject: overlook plan and road closure

Hi, my name is Charles Julson and I live on 108th st. in Bloomington and work in Mpls. as a teacher. I am renting my home but am buying it on August 20th. I am just finding out about the plan to construct a road on Overlook Dr. to connect to 35w. I think this would be terrible for our city and I would not want to live in this area if that goes through. This is a very peaceful area and putting a connecting rd. through that area would bring a lot of noise, pollution, and traffic to a very nice area on the river bluffs. It would also decrease home values. There area a lot of people that enjoy the solitude of nine mile creek trails and bikers that use those roads as bike routes. We have enough busy roads in Bloomington. I will attend the city council to express my disapproval. I am very disappointed someone would even consider this. I also thought that Dwan golf course was to stay as a preserved area. The area behind the golf course I think belonged to Dr. Dwan and he would not want to see a road going through that area.

The second thing I wanted to say is that part of the problem with traffic might be that someone who is probably getting paid a lot of money is not doing their job. Who is it that decided construction should be done on 94th, 98th, and 106th, all at the same time? You have three exits in a row that are under construction. How could a person not see that it would make sense to do one at a time and when that one is finished then start the other one. Come on it takes a very little to figure that out. If you are getting complaints about traffic that might be part of the reason. Who is it that scheduled it that way? I would appreciate it if you could forward this email to the Mayor and all of the council members and the traffic or planning department. Sincerely, Charles Julson.

#### Dear Councilmember Jack,

I am writing this letter to let you know about my feelings about Overlook Drive being connected. We live on the East dead end of Overlook Drive along the golf course and have lived here since 1977. We had 6 kids living at home at that point. We have enjoyed the park like location that we live in. It would totally change our neighborhood if this street goes through and the traffic increases with people looking for a faster way to get to 35W.

Neighborhood people use our street for walking, running, rollerblading, walking dogs, biking and last night there was a motorized wheel chair that went by. None of this would be able to happen if we had traffic driving through here.

We also have a lot of wild life living amongst us. Lots of deer, racoons, coyotes, fox, wild turkeys, etc. Without traffic on our street they are safe to wonder through the neighborhood without being hit.

I understand that there are other plans available for the things the city needs with the new homes that will be built at the end of the street without connecting the Overlook Drives. We really need this street to remain safe for all of us.

Thanks for you time.

Betty Enclose

Betty Erickson

3131 Overlook Dr.

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(Received by Council on 7/20/14)

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We lived here when Dr. Faul Dwan lived in his log cabinton doors away, His caring and natural generasty belied his wealth. He was the hest neighbor one could wish for caring and connected. His plan for thes perceful neighborhard was not to include an intrusive road. The gift of the galf course land was set up for that purpose, bending back into her property - a place for people on bikes, with strallers and walking groupe - quiet and safe from traffic. He was adament about this in our conversations. I want hismemory and clegacy honored - no road to destroy this, please.

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Carol Manussier Joseph Manussier 33/5 Overlook Prince 952881-0009

From: Sent:

Stommes, TJ <TJ.Stommes@idq.com>

To:

Wednesday, July 30, 2014 8:31 AM

Subject:

Osberg, Cyndi Overlook Drive

I just saw a sign on this and assume that the drive is being connected? Is so, please inform as to why. The website doesn't tell me anything and it would be a travesty if that is the plan. Why not do a cul-de-sac?

I would appreciate a reply since there is no information on the website.

Thanks for your time.

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From:

Clawson, Barbara

Sent:

Wednesday, July 30, 2014 8:04 AM Fields, Dennis; Osberg, Cyndi

To: Subject:

FW: Overlook Drive Connection-VOTE NO

FYI.

Thanks!

Barb Clawson
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From: Ben Schmidt [mailto:benner47@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2014 9:46 PM

To: ;

Subject: Overlook Drive Connection-VOTE NO

July 29, 2014

Re: Proposed Overlook Drive Connection

#### City Council Members,

I was so shocked, disappointed, and saddened to hear about the proposed connection of Overlook Drive to support the multi-unit housing development on the River Bluff. As a member of this neighborhood and advocate of this city through both my tax dollars and engagement in events, I am not supportive of this project, as it will greatly diminish the value of the neighborhood due to increased traffic and noise.

Please also consider the dangers and problems that this plan will create. Since Overlook Drive is 100% residential, this plan would affect the lives and safety of thousands of people in our neighborhood. Consider for a moment the existing streets that connect to 35W, and you will surely realize that none of these streets are strictly residential (think of 90<sup>th</sup> Street, 98<sup>th</sup> Street, 106<sup>th</sup> Street, and many more!) The one stretch of 98<sup>th</sup> Street that is residential is protected by a frontage road. The dangers that you would be inciting on our families and our children are limitless, with hundreds of residents backing out of their driveways many times each day into an extremely busy street. The hills and curves on this street are already dangerous and difficult to navigate. By increasing traffic, you are only increasing the likelihood of accidents and injuries.

If properly researched, you would also discover that although the speed limit is thirty miles per hour, the average speed is much higher than that. Please realize that an increase in traffic on this street would only increase traffic related issues and accidents.

As a member of this community and a Bloomington tax payer, I urge you: Do not let this proposal pass as it is. Please consider the harm and disruption you would be creating for this community of Bloomington neighbors.

I hope you will take these concerns seriously as they are affecting the lives of so many of us.

Sincerely,

## Benjamin Schmidt

Benjamin Schmidt 4400 Overlook Drive Bloomington

From:

Clawson, Barbara

Sent:

Wednesday, July 30, 2014 8:03 AM

To:

'Katie Schmidt'

Cc:

Fields, Dennis; Osberg, Cyndi

Subject:

RE: Overlook Drive Connection- VOTE NO

Ms. Schmidt,

Thank you for contacting the Bloomington City Council. In addition to Council, your comments are being forwarded to the appropriate City staff for inclusion with future Council agenda materials.

Thanks!

Barb Clawson
Mayor's Assistant/Council Secretary
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952-563-8786
bclawson@BloomingtonMN.gov

From: Katie Schmidt [mailto:katie-leafblad@bethel.edu]

Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2014 9:40 PM

Subject: Overlook Drive Connection- VOTE NO

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Sincerely,

## Katie Schmidt

Katie Schmidt

4400 Overlook Drive

Bloomington

From: michael.walker@thomsonreuters.com
Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2014 10:06 AM

To: Osberg, Cyndi

Subject: Attn: Glen Markegard - Question: Overlook Drive Expansion Consideration

#### Greetings Glen,

I'm Mike Walker and I'm a resident at 11130 Washburn Avenue South in Bloomington. Recently I've been seeing many, many signs advocating "Save Overlook Drive." Apparently there must be a proposal to extend Overlook Drive from its two ending points due south of Dwan Golf Course.

Can you provide me with your thoughts on why this proposal is being considered and if any groups or developers are behind this? Part of the desirability of these neighborhoods (including my own on Washburn Ave. S.) is the privacy that these un-joined road sections provide. Opening a major artery from France Avenue, through to the very most private and exclusive areas and properties on Overlook Drive doesn't really seem reasonable or a good idea to me. Eastern flow of traffic following overlook would eventually end up on 106<sup>th</sup> Street at probably the most dangerous intersection in our area (the blind hill/intersection on 106<sup>th</sup> where everyone always has problems).

I would appreciate your thoughts and information concerning this proposal. Any information would be very helpful.

Thanks much.

Respectfully,

Mike Walker



#### Michael Walker, J.D.

Legal Analyst - Features Legal Editorial Operations <LEO> Product Delivery Management <PDM>

#### **Thomson Reuters**

Phone: 651 848-3095

michael.walker@thomsonreuters.com

From:

Jessica Convy <jessica.convy@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, July 28, 2014 4:29 PM

To:

Osberg, Cyndi

Subject:

Overlook Drive Connection- Vote No

#### Dear Craig Nordstrom,

We were extremely upset to learn about the proposed connection of Overlook Drive to that multi-unit housing could be developed along the River Bluff. This is a quiet residential neighborhood, and if this development takes place it increase traffic and noise, completely changing the dynamic of the neighborhood and diminishing it's value. This is a single home development and the reason we chose to raise our family here. As members of the neighborhood and advocates of this city, through both our tax dollars and participation in local events, we are not supportive of this project. We are also extremely concerned with the affect this project will have on the wildlife in our area. We enjoy seeing the local wildlife and know that the project would greatly reduce their natural habitat, and these animals would likely end up as road kill. We plan on attending the upcoming city meetings to voice our disgust on this issue. We strongly urge you to use the power of your position to ensure the connection of Overlook Drive does not occur.

Sincerely,

Donel, Deborah, Elizabeth, Jessica, and Elise Convy

11319 Ewing Cir S, Bloomington, MN 55431 (952) 884-2486 jessica.convy@gmail.com

To:

Gene Winstead, Mayor

Dwayne Lowman, 1st District Council Member

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Tree-lined streets without gutters and sidewalks are part of the natural charm of these neighborhoods. And adding them would mean losing many mature trees.

Preserve the wildlife of the area. As well as deer in our yards, we frequently see wild turkeys, red foxes, wood chucks, wood ducks, pileated woodpeckers, raccoons, bluebirds and more. A thoroughfare would reduce their natural habitats and many of these animals would become road kill.

Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance
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Sincerely,
Lisa Ballinger
11118 Stanley Circle

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Bloomington MN 55437



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CITY OF BLOOMINGTON Office of the City Council

Dear Mayor Winstead,

As a 13 year resident of the dead end portion of Overlook Dr. extending east of France Ave, I will be sadly disappointed in our representative city government if this street is made a thoroughfare. My family specifically chose to purchase on this street because of the safety of raising a family on a dead end/cul du sac street. Daily I see children walking down the street en route to the bus stop or even playing. That the city planner considers a thru street a safety improvement is sorely lacking in judgment and reeks of "we are the government we know best for you." If this is not the position, then it bodes even worse for us as it is rather a financial gain for the city somehow and this at the expense of the safety of our children. As a leader of company, I am held responsible to clients, employees and shareholders. In your case I truly hope you take a true leadership stance and choose to serve your constituents, rather than dictate in accordance with your city planner and the developer.

Respectfully submitted, with the hope of being heard,

Juriel Dikken

David Dikken

3701 Overlook Drive

Bloomington, MN 55431

David and Joyce Schutten

3710 Overlook Drive

Bloomington, MN 55431

May 20, 2014

Dear City Council Member,

My wife and I have lived on a beautiful, quiet, dead-end street on Overlook Drive for 22 years. Our bedroom is a serene retreat which faces the street. We bought the house and paid a premium for it *because* it was a dead-end and as such, safer for our kids, their friends, older residents and their grandchildren.

We have just learned that the land separating our dead-end street and the Overlook Dr. dead-end on the other side of the golf course has been purchased from the Dwan family by a developer. We fear that a plan to connect the two dead-ends (thus creating a thoroughfare) may be in the works.

This will unnecessarily reduce the peace, safety and property value of the current homes, not to mention a subsequent reduction in tax revenue for the city. I say "unnecessarily" because we have a suggestion that would retain the peace, safety and property values of both dead-ends while increasing the profit of the developer and the tax revenue for the city:

#### Lengthen the east side only and create a cul-de-sac of new homes just east of our street.

There's room for high-end homes on the bluff plus at least one extra home at the end of the culde-sac where the road would otherwise be. The threat of a thoroughfare would be permanently laid to rest and all the new homes would have a higher value as a result. Which, of course, means more profit for the developer and greater tax revenue for Bloomington.

Please consider this idea. We believe it is a win-win-win option for all parties concerned.

Yours truly,

David & Joyce Schutten

PS: (We have talked to various City of Bloomington officials and the only practical explanation we've been given as to why the city might want a thoroughfare here is to allow a fire engine to turn around -- which has never presented a problem before. We believe our Bloomington fire fighters fully competent to back a 35-foot engine down a 40-foot wide street.)

I am writing with a complaint about the plans to put the road through that would connect the East side of Overlook to the West side. I am a 4 year resident of Bloomington and appreciate the redevelopment projects the city has taken on in the past few years, but I feel that this road going through is poorly designed. There are simply too many safety and financial aspects that jeopardize the neighborhood and these far outweigh the benefits of the response times from making this road go through. I have seen how many of these smaller roads have become a way to get to 35 or 100 to 494. In doing a little research, I do not understand how the response time is a factor because it takes no more time to head South on Xerxes, head West on 110<sup>th</sup> then South on France to service this neighborhood. For example, Fire Station 2 to 3811 Overlook Dr. is 1.5 miles or 4 minutes and Fire Station 2 to 3401 Overlook Dr. is at least 1.1 miles or 3 minutes. The distance to connect makes it the same.

The disappointment I have is that a call was made to the city, in which, I tried to find out if this type of thing was going to happen and there was no mention of this in the works. I found out about it a few days after we closed on June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014. This will be a huge factor that will negatively affect the value of our home and the value that we thought we could have in knowing that my children can learn to bike on this road safely. I also believe that this will harm the true beauty of the city's nature as animals will be put in harm's way with increased traffic volumes.

As the Mayor of Bloomington, I know you are very busy, and problems with city planning of this land may seem trivial; however, this issue affects the safety of every driver, cyclist, or pedestrian who uses this road for their pleasure as well as those of us who have children riding bikes, and I hope you make fixing this issue a top priority, I want the connection of this road halted and to have planning. I live very close to the intersection and would be happy to provide you or anyone in your office more information about the problem. We moved into this home in June and took a substantial increase in property taxes and I would appreciate your time to help solve this matter. I sincerely urge you to do a study on how this will save time for emergency vehicles as I cannot see or understand that it will pose more of a change that will make this thoroughfare make sense.

Thank you so much for your time.

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Sincerely,

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TJ and Meghan Stommes

CITY OF BLOOMINGTON Office of the City Council 3810 Overlook Drive

Bloomington, MN 55431

952-881-2356

August 11, 2014



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CITY OF BLOOMINGTON Office of the City Council

Dear Mayor Winstead,

We have been Bloomington residents for 37 years and have been very happy with the Bloomington government to this point. We feel our officials have represented us well in identifying our needs and concerns. We have lived the last 27 years on Overlook Drive and as you may know, the city is planning on making Overlook Drive from France to Xerxes a through street. We and our neighbors are strongly opposed to this as it will increase traffic, denigrate our neighborhood and destroy the wildlife that is very visible in this part of Bloomington. These two quiet dead end streets have been enjoyed by many Bloomington residents on their walks and bike rides. We feel the ambiance will be destroyed by the increase in traffic created by connecting these two streets.

Since there is little possibility of more development to the East or the West of this new street we feel there is no need for it. The current traffic patterns seem to be managed well by the existing roadways. The one concern we hear from the City is that the connection is necessary for fire safety in order to get large equipment in and out of the areas. We have spoken to the developer of the Dwan property. He stated that he could include a cul-de-sac in his plan that would allow these vehicles to turn around, eliminating the need for a through street.

We would greatly appreciate your thoughtful consideration of the Overlook connection. It is very important to the many people who live in this and surrounding neighborhoods that the quiet integrity of this street be maintained. The peaceful setting would be affected by the increased traffic that this street connection would bring to our wonderful neighborhood.

Joyce McBeath

Sincerely,

Bob & Joyce McBeath

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# Winstead, Gene

From:

Scott and Carol Low <slow63@msn.com>

Sent:

Friday, July 25, 2014 6:51 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene; Abrams, Cynthia; Busse, Tim; Lowman, Dwayne; Carlson, Andrew;

Baloga, Jack; Oleson, Jon

Subject:

Overlook Drive Construction

Mayor Winstead and Council Members,

Please consider voting no to the proposal over developing a thoroughfare from Overlook Drive to France Ave. As a person that lives off of Overlook Drive, I worry about the increased traffic in our neighborhood and the safety of our children.

My husband travels on 35 W. frequently and although the traffic is backed up at times, it moves along quickly. Why take a quiet part of Bloomington and increase the traffic to have an alternate route? To me this doesn't make any sense.

Please take into consideration all of the people in this part of Bloomington's neighborhood that would be effected negatively by voting in favor of this proposal.

Sincerely,

Carol Low 2330 Wellswood Curve 55431

# Winstead, Gene

From:

Bryna Krentz <bryna.krentz@gmail.com>

Sent:

Sunday, July 27, 2014 5:27 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

Overlook Drive Connection - Vote NO

Mayor Winstead,

I was horrified to hear about the proposed connection of Overlook Drive to support multi-unit housing development on the River Bluff. As a member of the neighborhood and advocate of this city through both my tax dollars and engagement in events, I am not supportive of this project as it will greatly diminish the value of the neighborhood due to increased traffic and noise. I plan to attend the upcoming City meetings to voice my dissent on this issue and strongly urge you to use the power of your position to ensure the connection of Overlook Drive does not occur.

Regards, Bryna Krentz 11313 Ewing Circle South, 55431 bryna.krentz@gmail.com 651-226-1171 (phone)

# Winstead, Gene

From:

rwiencke@comcast.net

Sent:

Monday, August 04, 2014 9:15 PM

To:

Abrams, Cynthia; Winstead, Gene

Subject:

Regarding Stop the Road

My husband and I have lived on this quiet street, Overlook Drive, for almost 30 years and we moved here at that time to get off of 106th Street as it became a mini freeway to 35W. We have enjoyed these years of peace and tranquility since 1985 with our children and now our grandchild. We have been residents of Bloomington for 45 years. Please let us enjoy several more years without additional traffic. Do not open this street to more traffic as it will endanger all of the residence, especially small children, who enjoying walking in this low traffic and quiet community.

Robert O & Elizabeth L Wiencke 2601 Overlook Drive Bloomington, MN 55431 rwiencke@comcast.net

From: Dennis Maiello <drmaiello@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Friday, August 08, 2014 12:57 PM

To: Winstead, Gene

Subject: Overlook Drive Connection

Dear Mayor Winstead,

I am writing to you to voice my concerns about the proposed development of the Dwan estate on Overlook Drive. I am not opposed to the development itself, as the owners have every right to liquidate their property as the choose, but I am strongly opposed to the connection of east and west Overlook Drive as proposed in the plans as they are being submitted to the city.

I live at 3010 Overlook Drive which is on the corner of Overlook Drive and Xerxes Avenue. I purchased my home in 2007, at which time it had been vacant for two years and in distressed condition. I have invested a substantial amount of money and sweat equity in the property to make it into a home for my family. This investment was an act of love for a home on a very quiet, tree-lined street in a mature neighborhood.

The neighborhood is special to many of the residents in west Bloomington as a place to walk - many with dogs leading the way - and bike on winding streets free of noise and traffic. It is an area loved by many for it's unique character.

If allowed, the connection of the east and west ends on Overlook would provide an easy bypass for traffic coming and going from areas west of France avenue to I35W and greatly increase the amount of traffic through our neighborhood. This will allow traffic to avoid the France/110th Street intersection in the mornings and, more importantly, provide a bypass for the Xerxes/106th Street intersection in the evenings. If you have ever traveled west from I35W to Xerxes on 106th in the evening, you know the traffic congestion there can be irritating. A connection through Overlook would allow that traffic to turn south at either Penn or Thomas and shoot around the back of Dwan golf course to the west side.

Once the traffic is introduced to the neighborhood, there is limited opportunity to properly control speeds on Overlook Drive. There would be no intersections between France Avenue and Xerxes, and none between Xerxes and Thomas to place stop signs or other controls. I believe it would attract commuters driving at high speeds to bypass the main thoroughfares. THIS WOULD DESTROY THE CHARACTER OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD AND NEGATIVELY IMPACT THE QUALITY OF LIFE along our wonderful Overlook Drive.

Please consider directing the developer to plan a cul-de-sac instead of the through street. We have spoken to him and he would agree to such a plan if directed by the city to do so.

Thank you for your attention to this matter,

Sincerely,

Dennis Maiello 3010 Overlook Drive Bloomington, MN

From:

Dana Carlson <dana3505@msn.com>

Sent:

Friday, August 08, 2014 2:52 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene; Abrams, Cynthia; Busse, Tim; Lowman, Dwayne; Carlson, Andrew;

Baloga, Jack; Oleson, Jon

Cc:

dana@rubybirdresale.com

Subject:

Overlook Drive Preservation

Dear Mayor Winstead and Council Members,

That is my house drawn on the west side of the plan by Peter Jarvis that the road will cut into. We purposely purchased on the dead end of Overlook Drive 14 years ago because of it's beauty and location for raising our children. I am still raising three kids there and it would be devastating to us financially and emotionally, and put my children in unnecessary danger.

The city, Peter Jarvis and the late Dr. Dwan heir appear to be doing what is in their best interest only, putting money in their pockets. We're not contesting the development, we're asking that you do what is morally and ethically the right thing to do for hundreds of residents and our children by allowing a cul de sac.

There is no valid reason for it being a through street that cannot be addressed by a cul de sac. An alternative plan has been proposed that covers all the city and developers requirements.

Do what is right by the people that elected you, not by the padded pocket books of a few.

Sincerely,

Dana Carlson 3700 Overlook Dr. 952.239.6932



From:

Denise Franck Aboody <info@dfranck.com>

Sent:

Friday, August 08, 2014 5:00 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

Overlook Drive

Hello Gene,

I am not sure if you remember me but I worked for Circus Pizza as a young girl for many years. I am friends with Jordan Mauer and have met you at events with him and his family over the years. I hope this email finds you well. I am writing you because I am hoping you can help with a situation that has showed up in our neighborhood here in Bloomington.

Last summer, my husband and I purchased a home on 2330 Overlook Drive, Bloomington, MN 55431. We had to stretch every penny, work overtime and then some and I spent the last 3 years working overseas and flying A LOT so we could buy a house in the best neighborhood possible. After an 8 year stretch in an 1100 sq ft Condo we finally found our dream home.

We live in a lovely 3 bedroom home with about 1700 square feet. We have a charming backyard and each day we see runners, walkers, dogs, children on bikes and families walking passed our front yard. We love where we live. My one year old is a fairly wild little girl (being the youngest of three) she wants to be a big girl. When a ball rolls into the street, she is the first one to run after it. I am grateful we live in a quiet neighborhood so I do not have to worry about her being struck by a busy driver trying to get to or from work like the families on 106th and 110th may have to worry about.

We love our home and our community and volunteer to make things better as much as we can in the local schools and other places.

Recently, we learned that the city council of Bloomington is voting to allow the expansion of Overlook Drive which will open the lovely quiet neighborhood we live in to an elevated level of traffic and certainly change the serene and beautiful community we have come to love.

We spent more than we could afford to get the house we live in because we wanted a safe home for our children. You can imagine my terror (sorry to be dramatic, but it really was terrifying to hear) when I learned this was not only possible but probably going to happen.

I am hoping the city can come to a compromise - I have heard of a cul-de-sac option that I hope both you and the council members will support. This is a very important decision for our family. An increase in traffic will change this neighborhood dramatically - and not in a good way.

I am happy to meet with you and anyone else who is interested in discussing this matter and will be in attendance for the upcoming meeting on August 21st.

Please do not turn our beautiful neighborhood filled with families, walkers and peace into a hurried neighborhood. We worked so hard to get this home and avoided homes we could have purchased on busier streets. We thank you in advance for representing our family's voice in this decision.

Sincerely,

Denise Franck Aboody Christian Aboody Alysia Aboody - age 7 CJ Aboody - age 5 Sophia Aboody - age 1

Phone: 612-207-7277

Email: info@dfranck.com

From:

For Your Well Being <for\_your\_well\_being@q.com>

Sent:

Friday, August 08, 2014 11:43 AM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

RE: Phone call concerning Overlook Drive and May 12, 2008 Meeting minutes

Attachments:

Meeting Minutes - May 12 2008.pdf

Dear Mayor Gene Winstead,

I am e-mailing to reiterate some of the issues I left as a message on your answering machine and to express further concerns in this matter.

Please find attached a copy of the meeting minutes from May 12, 2008 in which you were present.

- 1) Can you please explain to me why this connection was removed from the Bloomington master plan during the May 12, 2008 meeting? And how is it that the city chooses to consider connecting this road once more despite so many Bloomington citizens wishing to save the road in its current configuration? We have collected over 800 signatures reaching from Normandale Ave on the West to Penn Ave on the East and from 106th St to the North down to Overlook Drive on the south. We are continuing to canvas the neighborhoods and collecting more signatures.
- 2) Can you clarify any information concerning Eunice Dwan bring her attorney from Briggs and Morgan to meet with the city in 2008? The city has told us this was not done at a city council meeting and thusly is not on a public record we can view.
- 3) Kirk Roberts is not releasing the traffic study (preliminary or otherwise) to the public which legally is to be released to the public. The Planning Commission meeting is August 21st and he has mentioned releasing the traffic study to us August 22nd. We strongly request a copy of this report, so as to have time to review this report well in advance of the planning commission meeting. Per your city attorney, we are to have access to this report even in its preliminary stages.

Concerning this study, no traffic strips were placed on the location of Overlook Drive west of Xerxes nor any traffic cameras to properly address the affect it will have on our current dead end, and how it will adversely affect and change the character of our neighborhood. Traffic strips were placed on Xerxes Ave very near the intersection with 110th St. on the South side. No other traffic strips nor cameras were seen near our end of Overlook Drive.

4) Peter Jarvis, the developer stated at last night's public meeting, he would <u>not be opposed to putting in a cul-de-sac</u> if the City Council asked him to do so. His current design of the road is merely to get his plans passed by the City Planning Commission without any harassment.

We understand it is the City Planner's wishes to have the road connected for "safety" reasons. Myself and most others do not believe this to be a legitimate reason, particularly with the advancement of technology used in all emergency vehicles to show them the exact location of an emergency. There should be no reason for them to drive down the wrong road in error.

With research you will see there are cul-de-sacs over 2000 ft long and our proposed change would only bring ours to 1500-1600 feet long.

5) As the land being developed does not currently touch the western portion of Overlook Drive, <u>due to Roger Peter's property being between the land to be developed and the west portion of Overlook Drive</u>, there is **no** 

cause to even touch the west side of Overlook Drive. West Overlook Drive need not and should not be affected by the development of the old Dwan property now owned by Roberta Laird on East Overlook dead end.

6) City Variance Codes allow for a variance should the proposed change "affect the character of a neighborhood". There is no question that this will affect the character of the neighborhood. Our current road is 24feet wide on the east end of Overlook Drive. Any widening of this road now or in the future will take down the beautiful well developed trees lining our street making it feel like a country lane. Bicyclers, joggers, parents with children, those just looking to escape the feel of the city, will loose a natural resource to take a walk down what feels to be a country road.

If you look at the West side (which again should not even be a concern in this matter due to not truly touching this development) their road is 36 feet wide. That is a difference of 12 feet. If you are concerned with safety, a sudden narrowing of a road to unsuspecting drivers, especially come winter, would be of greater concern for accidents to occur.

7) Paul Dwan, Eunice Dwan, and Roberta Laird have written letters and fought the City of Bloomington in the past over the connection of this road. Is this the way to pay **honor to a family** who did so much to help build the City of Bloomington and donated 95 acres of land to the city?

Thank you for your time and for further looking into this matter.

Sincerely,

Nancy Marihart 3400 Overlook Drive, Bloomington 952-885-9697

The grass is greener where you water it...

# Winstead, Gene

From:

Maria Killam <roseoni58@hotmail.com>

Sent:

Saturday, August 09, 2014 1:23 PM

To:

Carlson, Andrew; Winstead, Gene

Subject:

Re: Overlook Dr. Petition

Dear Mr. Carlson:

Hello.

I live one house off of Overlook Dr. between France and Norman dale Blvd and have been here for 12 years. During that time, I and my neighbors have seen many accidents and near accidents. Because of curves that are taken too fast by passing traffic, my neighbors cannot back out or pull out safely even going very slowly. We have even seen instances in which cars on curves completely leave the road and crash into poles. Kids who live on opposite sides of Overlook cannot not safely cross to visit their friends.

The increased traffic due to the possible connection will increase these problems for our neighborhood. This road is really not designed to be a very heavily trafficked road so please consider the cul de sac option for the Dwan property development.

Thank you.

Sincerely, Maria Killam

# Winstead, Gene

From: Sent: MARK <mark.wallace@msn.com> Saturday, August 09, 2014 5:33 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

Stop the Overlook Drive Connection

### Dear Major Winstead,

We are writing to let you know that we are opposed to extending Overlook Drive and making it a throughstreet. There are a several good reasons, but what concerns me most is that it will just turn into another way to get to 35W and turn Overlook into a race track, especially during rush hour.

If you haven't heard much from other people in the affected neighborhoods, it's not because they don't care. Please take a few minutes and drive along the streets adjoining Overlook and you'll see sign after sign after sign opposing the "Connection".

Most of us purchased our homes believing that Overlook was just a loop street going roughly east and west in order to get to France or Normandale, or some other major north/south artery. We certainly didn't expect that Overlook would turn into a major route to get to 35W. I'm sure you can see that the increased traffic will severely disrupt this rather quite area of Bloomington, and negatively affect our properties. There are going to be a lot of unhappy voters showing up at the next election if the Overlook connection is approved. Virtually everyone in our neighborhood opposes it.

Mark Wallace & Susan Ley 4600 Terracewood Drive Bloomington, MN 55437

From:

ai <jsimonds99@cs.com>

Sent:

Sunday, August 10, 2014 7:12 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

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To:

Gene Winstead, Mayor Stop The Road!

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Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance

Homeowners United to Maintain the Quality of Life in Our Neighborhoods

Sincerely,

John Simonds 4909 Overlook Drive

#### Winstead, Gene

From:

Jessica Convy <jessica.convy@gmail.com>

Sent:

Sunday, August 10, 2014 7:29 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

Overlook Drive Connection-Vote No

# Dear Mayor Winstead,

With regards to the Overlook drive connection, we are in support of the development as long as it is turned into a cul de sac and not a through street to Xerxes/35W. The families who move into the new proposed development will be paying a premium for their lots and a through street connection would only decrease their property value. It would also increase traffic to the area and pose a safety threat to the children and families living in the area. I know the current development plans do not include a cul de sac, howeever, the neighbors have talked with him and he has agreed to a cul de sac if asked of him. We would also like to get a copy of the traffic study that was conducted but have been told by someone on the planning commission that it wouldn't be available until at least August 22nd. However, the developer already has a copy and it is required by law that we are allowed to see it as it's public information. If you could send me us a copy we would greatly appreciate it. We look forward to presenting our concerns on August 21.

# Sincerely,

Donel, Deborah, Elizabeth, Jessica, and Elise Convy 11319 Ewing Cir S. Bloomington, MN 55431 jessica.convy@gmail.com

From:

Kathy Eager <kathyeager@icloud.com>

Sent:

Monday, August 11, 2014 7:36 AM

To: Subject: Winstead, Gene Overlook drive

Mayor Winstead,

My parents moved to Bloomington in 1945. They built their first home at 8449 15th avenue knowing the airport would be making noise over head. I moved to west Bloomington in 1977 to avoid airplane noise. I love my quiet neighborhood three blocks east of Dwan golf course. There are still original home owners on my block. I know many residence of our little pocket sigh each evening for our good fortune to be in this spot. To introduce another through street (we have 106th and 110th already), would shatter sixty years of planned bliss. Please do not allow the Overlook Drive connect. Leave our neighborhood as intended.

Kathy Eager 11101 Upton Ave. S.

### Winstead, Gene

From:

Mike Moranz < moranz@q.com>

Sent:

Monday, August 11, 2014 6:00 PM

To: Cc: Winstead, Gene Lowman, Dwayne

Subject:

Overlook Drive.

I am a real estate appraiser/assessor for Ramsey county and live on Beard avenue just north of the golf course. I am 100% *for* connecting Overlook drive. It will add tax capacity to the city with minimum cost to the taxpayers. I feel that traffic will continue to use 1110<sup>th</sup> st. And isn't it ironic that Overlook residents are the most likely to use the connection to head east!

Someone came to me asking to sign a petition and I said no. I have also spoken with some neighbors who signed the petition and when asked they really didn't care all that much about a street 2 blocks away.

I can't make it to the meetings but I would like to see some extra effort at stop signs or speed bumps, and good sidewalks. Also, as part of this development, the city could provide some small easement or access to the river valley like at the end of Goodrich avenue and connect the 2 access points for a new trail.

Thank you for your time. Mike Moranz

From:

SARATA <saratacat1@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, August 12, 2014 11:40 AM

To:

Winstead, Gene; Busse, Tim; Lowman, Dwayne; Carlson, Andrew; Baloga, Jack; Oleson,

Jon

Subject:

**OVERLOOK DRIVE PROPOSAL** 

Hello,

My name is Susan and I live on 111th St. near Overlook Dr.

One of the many reasons our family settled in our neighborhood in 2001 is its relative isolation from pass-through traffic routes. We love the QUIET here.

The plan submitted to you for an Overlook Drive connection (rather than for a cul-de-sac) strikes us as a truly unnecessary abridgement of neighborhood integrity.

We have heard that a major concern is that, if Overlook Drive remains unconnected, then emergency-vehicle access for the residents of a proposed 13 single-family housing

development would be compromised. To our minds, this is hash, because any quick study of a district streetmap will reveal to you that most current neighborhood residents

have already lived *for a long time* with the same (hypothetical) emergency-access issues that the connection proposal ostensibly seeks to address for these new residents. I have never heard any of us express alarm over our supposed "isolation" caused by the disconnection between sections of Overlook Drive, so why fix (at considerable expense) *what is not broken?* We LOVE our winding, peaceful, closed-off, woodland-access privacy, relatively traffic-free streets—they were a major attraction for buying homes here. If any of us had ever waited a dangerously long time for emergency help over all these years, believe me—you would have HEARD from us.

Please place yourselves in our shoes when you make this decision. How would YOU like YOUR neighborhood to become another pass-through route? How would it affect YOUR

kid's safety? How would YOU like YOUR old, settled, quiet, private surround to become inundated---with even 20 more cars per day---because of hypothetical 'emergency' issues that you

have been willing to live with *forever*, as long as you & your kids could enjoy the *present & relative safety* granted you by long-time neighborhood "isolation"?

The cul-de-sac option for Overlook Drive answers our neighborhood's emergency needs as well as its aesthetic integrity. Please don't make an issue where none exists by overshooting the mark. Citing hypothetical "emergency access" ahead of quiet, ahead of privacy, ahead of kid-safety, will be bureaucratic, busy-body nonsense.

Sincerely,

Susan Arata 2308 W 111th St. 55431

#### Winstead, Gene

From:

Kelly.Funk <Kelly.Funk@target.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, August 13, 2014 1:29 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene; Abrams, Cynthia; Abrams, Cynthia; Lowman, Dwayne; Carlson, Andrew;

Baloga, Jack; Oleson, Jon

Subject:

Overlook Development in Bloomington

#### Greetings,

I am writing to share my concern regarding the Overlook Drive connection project that has been circulating in the Bloomington area. As an owner of a home within feet of Overlook Drive, I am very concerned about this connection project as it will most certainly increase traffic on the road. We already have a challenge with the speed at which drivers travel on the road and increased traffic will create an increased safety concern for residents. The area already has 2 near-by connections with 110<sup>th</sup> street and 106<sup>th</sup> street. Both roads have a tremendous amount of traffic so there is great reason to believe another connecting roadway would also have a high level of traffic.

I have reviewed the proposals for both a connection and a cul-de-sac option and want to express my support for the latter.

Thank you for listening-please continue to listen to the residents of the area help us preserve the safety of our neighborhood.

Thank you, Kelly Funk 11120 Queen Ave S Bloomington

From:

Nancy Bergren <br/>
<br/>
dergie123@live.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, August 13, 2014 9:03 PM

To:

Oleson, Jon; Baloga, Jack; Carlson, Andrew; Lowman, Dwayne; Busse, Tim; Abrams,

Cynthia; Winstead, Gene

Cc:

Nancy Bergren

Subject:

STOP the Connection of Overlook Drive

August 9, 2014

Dear Mayor Winstead and Council Members,

Twelve years ago we bought our house at 3800 Overlook Drive. It was a bit of a fixer upper - but as they say, location, location, location. It is on a dead end street across from the Minnesota River. A PERFECT location for a small family. We have spent the last 12 years updating our house and raising our 2 boys.

We bought this house because this street offered us the ideal location to raise our boys in a safe, quiet neighborhood. Children and adults alike use this dead end street as a source of entertainment, recreation and connection. There is constant action here in the form of biking, walking, skateboarding, night tag and neighborhood gatherings, just to name a few.

In addition to being a safe place for families to gather and recreate, this dead end street offers us an invaluable connection to nature. We have a variety of wildlife and plant life at our fingertips that cannot be matched in most suburban neighborhoods. On a regular basis we see deer, fox, coyote, turkey, eagles, bunnies, snakes, etc.

Between the safe, peaceful environment and the connection neighbors, nature and wildlife, this is the ideal get-away in the city to live. We are truly able to relax and unwind when we are home because of the peaceful setting we chose to live in.

When I heard that the city is considering the possibility of connecting Overlook Drive I was saddened and deeply concerned. Just because it is easier for the developer and would allow the city to collect more tax dollars, does not make it the right thing to do. You would be decreasing the quality of life many Bloomington residents, putting our children at risk with the increased traffic, disrupting nature, and decreasing the value of our homes! You listened to us when we voted you into office. I hope now when we want to have a say in the decisions you make that ultimately affect us and our property in Bloomington, you will listen again. The connection of the street would benefit a small few at the expense of hundreds of it's taxpaying and voting residents who bought homes here for a reason and have verbalized their opposition of the street through petitions, letters and emails.

Please think about what is best for the people of Bloomington and the residents who live in the area affected. The disadvantages far outweigh the benefits. There has never been a problem with our dead end street in the past. Why change what has been working when no one wants it except those who are trying to make money at our expense.

Please STOP the Connection of Overlook Drive and make a cul-de-sac on the east side instead. Leave the West side alone! The development can still go through, the Dwan Estate makes money, the developer makes money, the city can collect taxes on the new homes and the residents of Bloomington can retain what is rightfully theirs.

Sincerely yours,

Nancy Bergren

3800 Overlook Drive

Bloomington, MN 55431 952.884.7148

### Winstead, Gene

From:

Kathy Gasser < kgkgasser@aol.com>

Sent:

Thursday, August 14, 2014 8:36 AM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

Overlook Connection

Dear Mayor Winstead,

I am writing to request the City of Bloomington consider more graceful options to addressing the Overlook project such as a cul du sac.

It is to the benefit of our city to retain interesting residential options. A road along the river valley is a perfect situation to offer a real estate / neighborhood option other than the contrived concrete neighborhoods.

A thru street will lower many people's property value, ruin a great neighborhood and create an ugly street unnecessarily. Options are available to make all parties including the City satisfied.

Thank you for your consideration.

Kathy Gasser 3801 Overlook Dr 952-948-0455

# Winstead, Gene

From:

Steve and Sonja Mayhew <smayhews@usfamily.net>

Sent:

Thursday, August 14, 2014 8:06 AM

To:

Busse, Tim; Lowman, Dwayne; Winstead, Gene; Carlson, Andrew

Subject:

Overlook Dr.

#### City Officials,

We as the Mayhew family want to let you know we are concerned about the changes that you are wanting to make on Overlook Dr. Would you please take a drive down this road to consider the families that are living in this area. We enjoy the area at this time for our family with the amount of traffic as it is. We live at the base of Overlook Lake and find many times traffic race through to joyride the hills and curves at high speeds. We would not like this to increase due to accidents that have occurred in the past from this kind of driving. Even one death in the recent years. Would you please consider the cul de sac option for this new development on Overlook for the safety and joy of us all!

Thank for considering our thoughts and opinions! We will not be able to attend the meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> but, would like to our voice is heard.

Sincerely, Sonja, Steve, Keaton (10), Gavin(8)



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To:

The Honorable Council Member Mr. Baloga, City of Bloomington

Stop The Road!

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Preserve the property value of our homes.

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Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance

Homeowners United to Maintain the Quality of Life in Our Neighborhoods

Singerely

John Simonds

4909 Overlook Drive

Bloomington, MN 55437

Jsimonds99@cs.com

Dear council member Jack Baloga,

I am writing today to address the city's desire to connect Overlook Drive on the west side of Dwan Golf Course to Overlook Drive on the east side of the golf course.

We moved into our house at 11031 Xerxes Avenue ten years ago after spending the previous 5 years in Savage, Minnesota. Previous to that we had lived on 90<sup>th</sup> & Xerxes Avenue South for 10 years. Both my wife (she grew up in Bloomington) and myself desired to move back to Bloomington due to our previous experience with this friendly city. We looked for quite some time before finding our current home, which we purchased from the original owners. The home met all of our expectations of a quiet, friendly neighborhood.

Last evening we attended the developer's informational meeting and were rather surprised at what appears to be happening.

Apparently the city has wanted to connect this section of Overlook Drive for quite some time. I do a lot of driving through and around the city of Bloomington as I sell residential real estate (for 26 plus years). Mr. Jarvis has recommended (as told to us in the meeting) to the property owners that in order to meet city requirements of this new development without delay (meaning no variances) that the through street (connection of Overlook Dr.) would be the way to go. The owners agreed to Mr. Jarvis's recommendation and asked that he draw it up for presentation to the city. The one thing I have noticed over the years is the number of cars that travel down 110<sup>th</sup> Street (especially during rush hour) so that they can connect to 106<sup>th</sup> Street and gain entrance to 35W as there is no metering on that ramp. With a connection of Overlook Drive from east to west on the south side of the golf course I believe there will be an increase of traffic down Xerxes Avenue in front of my home for commuters attempting to gain entrance to 35W. Granted there will also be some people who may actually drive all the way down Overlook Drive to Penn Avenue and 106<sup>th</sup> Street. But I also recognize that most people want their work commute to be as short (timewise) as possible and heading down Xerxes Avenue to 106<sup>th</sup> Street is quicker and easier.

These streets will be negatively impacted by the increase of automobile traffic and will result in a decrease in pedestrian (foot & bike) traffic (unsafe), a decrease in property values (remember, I am a real estate broker) and I believe, an increase in crime and accidents.

Last night an alternative plan (cul-de-sac) to the through street was proposed to the developer. His stance is that this would require a variance and additional work on his behalf. He also indicated that if there was no loss of home sites and the city instructed him to do so, that he would comply. I know there is an obvious value to the location of these lots due to the golf course and the river bluff, but I also know that there would be increased value with this street not being a through street.

It was also brought to my attention that some traffic studies were done but not available to the public until after the August 21<sup>st</sup> meeting. After looking to see who is in charge of traffic management for the city, I was rather surprised to see that Paul Jarvis is in charge.

This caused me to wonder if there is a family relationship between Paul Jarvis and Peter Jarvis, the developer.

We are not against the development of these lots, just the connection of Overlook Drive. We believe the city needs to actually look at this viable alternative and respect the citizens' opinion in this matter. Government is for the people, by the people.

Respectfully Yours,

Patrick Hogan 612-978-0765 To: Mayor Gene Winstead

City Council Chairman

Bloomington City Hall

1800-W. Old Shakopee Road

Bloomington, MN 55431

# RECEIVED

AUG 14 2014

CITY OF BLOOMINGTON Office of the City Council

From! Elizabeth M. Potter 2710-Overlook Drive Bloomington, MN 55431

Dear Mr. Winstead,

As a Forty Four Year Resident of 2710-Overlook
Drive, I would hate to see our quiet residential
Street turn into a thoroughfare for all of West
Street turn into a cccess 35W by racing passed my
Bloomington to access 35W by racing passed my
house. We have many, many walkers, bikers and
house. We have many, many walkers, bikers and
baby Strollers on our Street because it is presently
so quiet and traffic free.

A cul de Sac would be the ideal solution to any development on the Dwan Property. Dr. Dwan never wanted a thru Street on his property, to Keep Overlook Drive Safe for the Kids.

Thank you for Saving the Beauty of Bloomington. Elizabeth M. Potter Elizabeth M. Potter

From:

Dale and Karen Erlandson < mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Saturday, July 19, 2014 10:29 AM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

Stop The Road! Keep Overlook Drive from becoming another busy thoroughfare.

Dear Gene Winstead,

I just signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

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Sincerely,
Dale and Karen Erlandson Bloomington, Minnesota

There are now 7 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

http://www.change.org/petitions/overlook-drive/responses/new?response=955c215679a3



From:

Mike & Tami McMahon < mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Wednesday, July 23, 2014 2:19 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Mike & Tami McMahon, Janice Bismarck...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

There are now 55 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

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# Sincerely,

- 55. Mike & Tami McMahon Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 54. Janice Bismarck Bloomington, Minnesota
- 53. Nicole Wallace Bloomington, Minnesota
- 52. Jerry Freemark Bloomington, Minnesota
- 51. Kristi Ellison Bloomington, Minnesota

From:

Mark Butler <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Thursday, July 24, 2014 10:41 AM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Mark Butler, Bethany Dikken...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

There are now 75 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

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# Sincerely,

- 75. Mark Butler bloomington, Minnesota
- 74. Bethany Dikken Bloomington, Minnesota
- 72. David Dikken Bloomington, Minnesota
- 71. Nomi Chial PRIOR LAKE, Minnesota
- 70. melissa Quittschreiber Minneapolis, Minnesota

From:

Mackenzie Nelson <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Thursday, July 24, 2014 1:41 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Amanda Stommes, Lisa Ballinger...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

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# Sincerely,

- 82. Amanda Stommes Bloomington, Minnesota
- 81. Lisa Ballinger Bloomington, Minnesota
- 80. Mackenzie Nelson Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 79. Pat Hogan Bloomington, Minnesota
- 78. dan Ryan bloomington, Minnesota

From:

kristine dean <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Thursday, July 24, 2014 3:57 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: kristine dean, Karla Findley...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

There are now 85 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

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#### Sincerely,

- 85. kristine dean Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 84. Karla Findley Bloomington, Minnesota
- 82. Amanda Stommes Bloomington, Minnesota
- 81. Lisa Ballinger Bloomington, Minnesota
- 80. Mackenzie Nelson Minneapolis, Minnesota

From:

Devin Blundy <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Thursday, July 24, 2014 9:34 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Devin Blundy, Deborah Fiscus...

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- 90. Devin Blundy Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 89. Deborah Fiscus Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 88. Michael Bruce bloomington, Minnesota
- 87. Carol Manussier Bloomington, Minnesota
- 86. Bridget McMahon Bloomington, Minnesota

From:

Kelsey Christy < mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Thursday, July 24, 2014 9:57 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Kelsey Christy, dennis guss...

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#### Sincerely,

- 95. Kelsey Christy Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 94. dennis guss santa ana, California
- 93. Maureen O'Neal Portland, Oregon
- 92. Dianora Niccolini New York City, New York
- 91. Diane Jackson Minneapolis, Minnesota

From:

jerry druch <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Thursday, July 24, 2014 11:26 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: jerry druch, David Addison...

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http://www.change.org/petitions/overlook-drive/responses/new?response=955c215679a3

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# Sincerely,

- 100. jerry druch baltimore, Maryland
- 99. David Addison Arlington, Virginia
- 98. Dorene Fier-Tucker Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 97. Jenifer Gaudreau Isanti, Minnesota
- 96. Jason Bowman Placerville, California

X

From:

Renee Holden <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Friday, July 25, 2014 8:10 AM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Christi Luhring, Brent Hepner...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

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# Sincerely,

- 104. Christi Luhring Bloomington, Minnesota
- 103. Brent Hepner Norfolk, Virginia
- 100. jerry druch baltimore, Maryland
- 99. David Addison Arlington, Virginia
- 98. Dorene Fier-Tucker Minneapolis, Minnesota

From:

Ryan Horton < mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Friday, July 25, 2014 9:24 AM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Ryan Horton, Edward Krammer...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

There are now 109 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

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# Sincerely,

- 110. Ryan Horton Austin, Texas
- 109. Edward Krammer Bloomington, Minnesota
- 108. Mary Sozio Grand Island, New York
- 107. Michelle Amato Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 106. Julie Osmonson Bloomington, Minnesota

From:

Lynn Hesse <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Friday, July 25, 2014 11:49 AM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Lynn Hesse, Trista Kaster...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

There are now 115 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

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- 115. Lynn Hesse Bloomington, Minnesota
- 114. Trista Kaster Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 113. Ann McGuire Bloomington, Minnesota
- 112. Guinevere Teel-French Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 110. Ryan Horton Austin, Texas

From:

Jenny Kuklok <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Friday, July 25, 2014 1:42 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Jenny Kuklok, Pamela Leafblad...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

There are now 120 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

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# Sincerely,

- 120. Jenny Kuklok Bloomington, Minnesota
- 119. Pamela Leafblad Bloomington, Minnesota
- 118. Daniel Vanakwn Alpharetta, Georgia
- 116. Andrea McGauley Bloomington, Minnesota
- 115. Lynn Hesse Bloomington, Minnesota

From:

Suzanne Oakes <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Friday, July 25, 2014 3:21 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Suzanne Oakes, Kelsey Jones...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

There are now 125 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

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- 125. Suzanne Oakes Bloomington, Minnesota
- 124. Kelsey Jones Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 123. Katie Schmidt Bloomington, Minnesota
- 121. Linda Dugan Bloomington, Minnesota
- 120. Jenny Kuklok Bloomington, Minnesota

From:

Sandra and Robert Crum <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Friday, July 25, 2014 4:13 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Sandra and Robert Crum, Paul Ericson...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

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# Sincerely,

- 130. Sandra and Robert Crum Bloomington, Minnesota
- 129. Paul Ericson Bloomington, Minnesota
- 128. Lisa Burkhart Bloomington, Minnesota
- 127. Debbie Carlson Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 126. Emily Koehler Wausau, Wisconsin

X

From:

Robert Burggaller <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Friday, July 25, 2014 6:33 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Robert Burggaller, Betsy Warren...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

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# Sincerely,

- 135, Robert Burggaller Milton, Georgia
- 134. Betsy Warren Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 133. Deb Hauerwas Bloomington, Minnesota
- 132. Molly Andersen Bloomington, mn, Minnesota
- 131. TAMMY FERGUSON BLOOMINGTON, Minnesota

From:

Ben Schmidt <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Friday, July 25, 2014 8:45 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Ben Schmidt, Sarah Perry...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

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# Sincerely,

- 140. Ben Schmidt Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 139. Sarah Perry Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 138. Jake Martin Bloomington, Minnesota
- 137. Ramona Kaye Bloomington, Minnesota
- 136. Kate Martin Bloomington, Minnesota

From:

Stephanie Nelson <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Friday, July 25, 2014 10:35 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Stephanie Nelson, Mark Vander Vegte...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

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# Sincerely,

- 145. Stephanie Nelson Nisswa, Minnesota
- 144. Mark Vander Vegte Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 143, Nicole Carpenter Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 142. Jesse Richard Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 141. David Dreckmann Bloomington, Minnesota

From:

Jean Tollefson <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Saturday, July 26, 2014 10:02 AM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Kyle Dahlen, Bob Murphy...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

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# Sincerely,

- 149. Kyle Dahlen Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 148. Bob Murphy Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 147. Diane Barnes Oakdale, California
- 146. Mike Mills Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 146. Richard Fink Bloomington, Minnesota

From:

Jezahira restrepo <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Saturday, July 26, 2014 12:22 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Jezahira restrepo, Natalie Witzeman...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

There are now 154 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

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# Sincerely,

- 155. Jezahira restrepo Davie, Florida
- 154. Natalie Witzeman Tucson, Arizona
- 153. christine mezera Iola, Wisconsin
- 152. Phil Bergwerk Petersburgh, New York
- 151. Kendra Ryan Minneapolis, Minnesota

From:

Jeremy Krentz <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Saturday, July 26, 2014 12:38 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Jeremy Krentz, Bryna Krentz...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

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- 160. Jeremy Krentz Bloomington, Minnesota
- 159. Bryna Krentz Bloomington, Minnesota
- 158. fabio fernandez Miami, Florida
- 157. Marco Carranza Mission, Texas
- 156. Joseph Golinveaux Berkeley, California

From:

Merilee Klose <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Sunday, July 27, 2014 3:01 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Merilee Klose, Cindy Mills...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

There are now 165 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

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- 165. Merilee Klose Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 164. Cindy Mills Apple Valley, Minnesota
- 162. Mary Pearson Flower Mound, Texas
- 161. Salvatore Presutti Newington, Connecticut
- 160. Jeremy Krentz Bloomington, Minnesota

From:

Kris Checco <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Monday, July 28, 2014 10:54 AM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Kris Checco, Denny Lindemoen...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

There are now 170 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

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# Sincerely,

- 170. Kris Checco Bloomington, Minnesota
- 168. Denny Lindemoen Bloomington, Minnesota
- 166. John Martin Bloomington, Minnesota
- 165. Merilee Klose Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 164. Cindy Mills Apple Valley, Minnesota

From:

Angela Noteboom <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Monday, July 28, 2014 2:34 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Angela Noteboom, Carrie Colon...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

There are now 175 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

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### Sincerely,

- 175. Angela Noteboom Eden Prairie, Minnesota
- 174. Carrie Colon Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 173. Deborah Convy Bloomington, Minnesota
- 172. Elizabeth Convy Bloomington, Minnesota
- 171. Elise Convy Bloomington, Minnesota

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From:

Lindsay Walsh <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Monday, July 28, 2014 7:17 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Lindsay Walsh, Patrick Mach...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

There are now 180 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

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# Sincerely,

- 180. Lindsay Walsh Bloomington, Minnesota
- 179. Patrick Mach Bloomington, Minnesota
- 178. Sue Ley Bloomington, Minnesota
- 177. Allison Walther Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 175. Angela Noteboom Eden Prairie, Minnesota

From:

Laura Berg <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Monday, July 28, 2014 8:38 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Laura Berg, Ryan McPartland...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

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#### Sincerely,

- 185. Laura Berg Lakeville, Minnesota
- 184. Ryan McPartland Eden Prairie, Minnesota
- 183. Adam le Shakopee, Minnesota
- 182. Justin Olund Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 181. Scott Madison Minneapolis, Minnesota

From:

Janice Wege <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Tuesday, July 29, 2014 10:45 AM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Janice Wege, Rhonda Griffith...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

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#### Sincerely,

- 190. Janice Wege Bloomington, Minnesota
- 188. Rhonda Griffith sheboygan, Wisconsin
- 187. Karen Lindemoen Bloomington, Minnesota
- 186. Heidi Christ Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 185. Laura Berg Lakeville, Minnesota

From:

Emily Carlson <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Tuesday, July 29, 2014 12:40 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Emily Carlson, john clem...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

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## Sincerely,

- 195. Emily Carlson Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 194. john clem Edinburg, Virginia
- 193. Missy Torbenson Lakeville, Minnesota
- 192. Kayla Stockert Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 191. Dennis Kaplan Mayfield Heights, Ohio

From:

Emily Collette <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Tuesday, July 29, 2014 3:11 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Emily Collette, WENLU XIE...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

There are now 200 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

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# Sincerely,

- 200. Emily Collette Columbia, Missouri
- 199. WENLU XIE Ann Arbor, Michigan
- 198. julie benz waconia, Minnesota
- 196. Linda St. John Bloomington, Minnesota
- 195. Emily Carlson Minneapolis, Minnesota

From:

Adam Grunz <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Tuesday, July 29, 2014 9:56 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Heather Tillman, Anne Pinkerton...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

There are now 205 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

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# Sincerely,

- 204. Heather Tillman Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 202. Anne Pinkerton Phoenixville, Pennsylvania
- 200. Emily Collette Columbia, Missouri
- 199. WENLU XIE Ann Arbor, Michigan
- 198. julie benz waconia, Minnesota

From:

Kristine Bell <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Wednesday, July 30, 2014 6:28 AM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Kristine Bell, Connie Brenna...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

There are now 210 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

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- 210. Kristine Bell burnsville, Minnesota
- 209. Connie Brenna Bloomington, Minnesota
- 208. Herbert C. ZIEGLER YUCAIPA, California
- 207. Jennifer Collette Columbia, Missouri
- 206. Clarence & Bonnie Byersdorfer Bloomington, Minnesota



From:

Michelle Freese <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Wednesday, July 30, 2014 8:36 AM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Michelle Freese, Hayden W...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

There are now 215 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

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# Sincerely,

- 215. Michelle Freese Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 214. Hayden W Bloomington, Minnesota
- 213. Alane Lucht Bloomington, Minnesota
- 212. Rebecca Pehrson Bloomington, Minnesota
- 211. Julie Bakken-Johnson Minneapolis, Minnesota

From:

Amanda Laffrenzen <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Wednesday, July 30, 2014 10:38 AM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Amanda Laffrenzen, Sara Roberts...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

There are now 220 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

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- 220. Amanda Laffrenzen Bloomington, Minnesota
- 219. Sara Roberts Bloomington, Minnesota
- 218. Holly Doble Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 217. Patricia Simonds Bloomington, Minnesota
- 216. Zachary Finer Chicago, Illinois



From:

Nick Simonds <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Wednesday, July 30, 2014 2:13 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Nick Simonds, tim ness...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

There are now 225 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

http://www.change.org/petitions/overlook-drive/responses/new?response=955c215679a3

#### Dear Gene Winstead,

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## Sincerely,

- 225. Nick Simonds Big Lake, Minnesota
- 224, tim ness long lake, Minnesota
- 223. Emily Simonds Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 221. Eric Olund bloomington, Minnesota
- 220. Amanda Laffrenzen Bloomington, Minnesota

From:

Sheila Dillon <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Wednesday, July 30, 2014 10:18 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Sheila Dillon, Marcus Hanson...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

There are now 229 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

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# Sincerely,

- 230. Sheila Dillon Willmar, Minnesota
- 229. Marcus Hanson Bloomington, Minnesota
- 228. Tanya Reader Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 227. Robert Stover Bloomington, Minnesota
- 226. Jeff Dueffert Burnsville, Minnesota

From:

Jane Berra <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Thursday, July 31, 2014 7:12 AM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Jane Berra, Jim Hirsch...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

There are now 235 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

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- 235. Jane Berra Rosemount, Minnesota
- 234. Jim Hirsch Bloomington, Minnesota
- 233. Becky Supplee St Louis Park, Minnesota
- 231. Suzanne Bergin/Middlesteadt Bloomington, Minnesota
- 230. Sheila Dillon Willmar, Minnesota



From: Corey Vucinovich <mail@changemail.org>

**Sent:** Thursday, July 31, 2014 11:31 AM

To: Winstead, Gene

**Subject:** 5 new petition signatures: Corey Vucinovich, Chris Oster...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

There are now 240 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

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- 240. Corey Vucinovich Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 239. Chris Oster Lakeville MN, Minnesota
- 237. Rick Parsons Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 236. Darcy DeGonda Bloomington, Minnesota
- 235. Jane Berra Rosemount, Minnesota

From:

Nancy Rose Pribyl <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Thursday, July 31, 2014 2:45 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Nancy Rose Pribyl, Catherine Barkow...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

There are now 245 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

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- 245. Nancy Rose Pribyl Bloomington, Minnesota
- 243. Catherine Barkow Bloomington, Minnesota
- 242. DAVID BERGREN Bloomington, Minnesota
- 241. Kathleen Perkins Vloomington, Minnesota
- 240. Corey Vucinovich Minneapolis, Minnesota



From:

Todd Braun <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Thursday, July 31, 2014 4:07 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

5 new petition signatures: Todd Braun, Liz Stanley...

5 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

There are now 250 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

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#### Dear Gene Winstead,

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### Sincerely,

- 250. Todd Braun Bloomington, Minnesota
- 249. Liz Stanley Bloomington, Minnesota
- 248. Julie Morse Bloomington, Minnesota
- 247. SUSAN ARATA Bloomington, Minnesota
- 246. Shane Simonds Monticello, Minnesota

X

From:

Megan Todd <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Tuesday, August 12, 2014 8:01 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

25 more people signed: Lee Bergin, Larry Maurice...

25 people recently add their names to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive". That means more than 500 people have signed on.

There are now 475 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

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#### Dear Gene Winstead,

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- 474. Lee Bergin hugo, Minnesota
- 473. Larry Maurice Bloomington, Minnesota
- 472. Carol Madsen Bloomington, Minnesota
- 471. Mike Gallagher Bloomington, Minnesota
- 470. Mary Thiel Bloomington, Minnesota
- 469. Jason Thiel Bloomington, Minnesota
- 468. Paula Rolf HOPKINS, Minnesota
- 466. Kimberly Fellner Blaine, Minnesota
- 465. Carl Swift Bremerton, Washington
- 464. Dennis Hsieh Oakland, California
- 463. lucas shivler mentor, Ohio

- 462. Becky Szumiesz Winnesota, Colorado
- 461. Alec Fyfe Dunedin, Florida
- 460. Rob Miller nashville, Tennessee
- 459. felipe jr estacio baguio, California
- 458. Karen Daniels Bloomington, Minnesota
- 457. Terry Smith Bloomington, Minnesota
- 455. Rhett Taber Bloomington, Minnesota
- 454. Ronalda Faber Bloomington, Minnesota
- 453. nicole picciano Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 452. Dylan Taber Bloomington, Minnesota
- 451. Lora Jiracek Bloomington, Minnesota
- 450. Peter Thiele San Antonio, Texas
- 449. Concerned Citizen New City, New York
- 448. kelly Robichon Saint Paul, Minnesota



From: Justin Bergin <mail@changemail.org>

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2014 10:12 AM

To: Winstead, Gene

**Subject:** 10 new signers: Justin Bergin, Joanne Campo...

10 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

There are now 480 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

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- 480. Justin Bergin Bloomington, Minnesota
- 479. Joanne Campo Bloomington, Minnesota
- 478. Gary Vanderhyde Bloomington, Minnesota
- 477. Barbara Vanderhyde bloomington mn, Minnesota
- 476. rondi fisher bloomington, Minnesota
- 474. Lee Bergin hugo, Minnesota
- 473. Larry Maurice Bloomington, Minnesota
- 472. Carol Madsen Bloomington, Minnesota
- 471. Mike Gallagher Bloomington, Minnesota
- 470. Mary Thiel Bloomington, Minnesota

From:

lucille olson <mail@changemail.org>

Sent:

Wednesday, August 13, 2014 7:45 PM

To:

Winstead, Gene

Subject:

10 new signers: lucille olson, David White...

10 new people recently signed Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance's petition "Overlook Drive" on Change.org.

There are now 490 signatures on this petition. Read reasons why people are signing, and respond to Overlook Drive Preservation Alliance by clicking here:

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- 490. lucille olson bloomington, Minnesota
- 489. David White Bloomington, Minnesota
- 488. Sara Anderson Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 487. Nancy Anderson Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 486. Merrick Anderson Bloomington, Minnesota
- 480. Justin Bergin Bloomington, Minnesota
- 479. Joanne Campo Bloomington, Minnesota
- 478. Gary Vanderhyde Bloomington, Minnesota
- 477. Barbara Vanderhyde bloomington mn, Minnesota
- 476. rondi fisher bloomington, Minnesota